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## To Whom It May Concern:

I am a senior at Arizona State University and am majoring in dietetics. Throughout my nutrition classes, I have studied the effects of Trans Fatty Acids. I am very interested in the discussion of the proposed rule of including amounts of trans fatty acids on food labels. I believe it is very important to inform the consumer what they are purchasing and how it may effect their health. Unfortunately, not all consumers are educated on the harmful effects of different types of fat, and/or may not be interested in additional information. Although I do think that this a step in the right direction, I think that educating the public is necessary before the added label information will be beneficial. Despite of the fact that obesity is very high in the United States, there are some people that do not worry about fat content, and may associate fat with weight alone. I have questions regarding this proposal and would appreciate any information available.

- 1. Will this change include **PSA's** or educational information available at the stores?
- 2. Has there been any controversy from manufacturers that this change would effect?
- 3. If this is passed, how long until we will begin seeing the changes?

Thank you for your time and I would appreciate any further information you may be able to provide. I have included a self addressed stamped envelope and look forward to receiving more information.

Sincerely, Ashley Kostal

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